



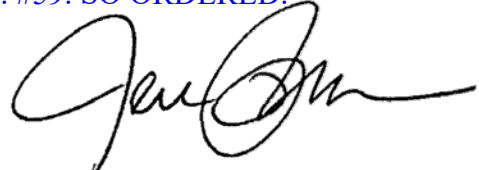
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October 6, 2022

Application GRANTED. The Clerk of Court is directed to  
terminate Doc. #59. SO ORDERED.



October 6, 2022

**VIA ECF**

The Honorable Jesse M. Furman  
United States District Judge  
Thurgood Marshall Courthouse  
40 Foley Square  
New York, New York 10007

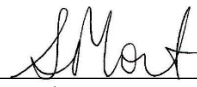
**Re: *United States v. Antonio Velez*, 21 Cr. 63 (JMF)**

Dear Judge Furman:

The Government respectfully writes in response to the Court's suggestion at the September 22, 2022 conference that the Government permit the defendant in the above-captioned case to withdraw his guilty plea to a § 841(b)(1)(B) offense, and instead enter a plea to a lesser-included § 841(b)(1)(C) offense. The Government has spoken with the defendant's oncologist and has made several attempts to reach the defendant's back and neck physician (thus far, unsuccessfully). The Government is continuing to evaluate the Court's proposal, but requires additional time to take a position. The defendant's sentencing is currently scheduled for November 3, 2022. The Government respectfully requests that it be permitted to submit a further status update on or before October 21, 2022.

Very truly yours,

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